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Inventors: CHANGE, Hoi; ATALLAH, Mikhail J.; and RICE, John R.
Serial No.: 10/620,534
Filed: July 16, 2003
Art Unit: 2131
Our File No.: P00620-US-01 (19232.0003)

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE

Applicant hereby petitions that the above-referenced application be made special in accordance with the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 708.02 (IV) and 37 CFR § 1.102(c) by reason of Applicant's age. Specifically, Applicant, John R. Rice, is over 65 years of age.

As a showing of this fact, enclosed please find a Statement in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Applicant's Age signed by Applicant, John R. Rice.

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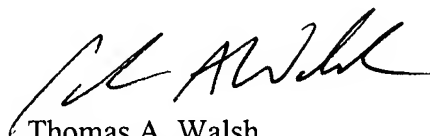
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No fee is required with this petition, in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.102(C).

In the event Applicant inadvertently overlooked the need for any additional petition or payment of additional fee, Applicant hereby conditionally petitions therefore and authorizes that any charges by made to Deposit Account No. 09-0007.

Respectfully submitted,

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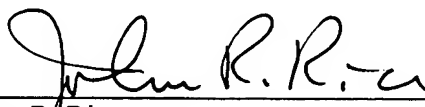


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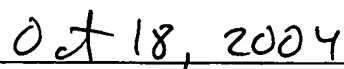
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**STATEMENT OF APPLICANT JOHN R. RICE IN SUPPORT OF
PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE**

The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-referenced application or any patent issuing therefrom, hereby declares that the undersigned's date of birth is June 6, 1934, and, accordingly, the undersigned is over sixty-five years of age. The undersigned further declares that all statements made of his own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.



John R. Rice



Date of Signature